

TENNESSEE NEWS CUT TO THE QUICK FOR BUSY READERS

Knoxville is to have a negro public library at a cost of \$10,000 for the building and the money is furnished by Andrew Carnegie of New York.

Simultaneously at Memphis, Nashville and Knoxville, the state board of medical examiners will conduct examinations June 16 and 17.

Two of the three prisoners, who made their escape from jail at Hartsville, have voluntarily returned to complete their terms of imprisonment.

Bankers from all parts of the state gathered in Chattanooga at the annual meeting of the Tennessee Bankers' association, which convened there for a two days' session.

Work has been commenced by the Tennessee state highway commission on the Chattanooga-Cleveland highway, which has been officially designated as "State Highway No. 1."

Delegates from posts of the Travelers' Protective Association in various parts of the state are planning to attend the national convention which meets in Lafayette, Ind., June 5-8.

Sixty-five physicians and surgeons from Memphis, Dyersburg, Union City and other cities attended the annual session of the West Tennessee Medical Association in the Masonic Temple at Jackson.

The Durham Coal and Iron Company's tipples and washer at the Soddy coal mine, near Chattanooga, were destroyed by fire of unknown origin Monday morning. The loss was estimated at \$100,000. No one was hurt.

Rev. H. T. Fitch, of Mineral Springs, near Cleveland, celebrated his eighty-first birthday by preaching a sermon to young people of Chattanooga. Mr. Fitch has been in the ministry for fifty-nine years.

The Maryville water plant will be completed and ready to turn over to the city by July 1. The people are already having plumbing done, preparatory to having water in their homes. Maryville will have a municipality owned water system.

Just to show common ordinary meat eaters what actual sure-enough vegetarians can do, Prince Paul Troubesak, sojourning in Cleveland, chewed a dime until it resembled a spit ball. And it was no thin dime, either.

Two prisoners are dead and another wounded as a result of a one-man munity in the State Prison at Nashville. Jady Harris, who caused the trouble, was shot and killed after he had wounded two other prisoners, one fatally, with a rifle snatched from a guard.

Official announcement was made that the New Orleans, Mobile and Chicago railroad, now operating from Mobile to Middleton, Tenn., will be extended from the latter place to Jackson, Tenn. The approximate cost will be \$1,225,000 to build the forty miles extension.

Erwin, the hustling railway town in Union county, is looming up as an industrial center. It having recently secured the location of a large pottery plant. This new concern will employ about 350 men at present, and about fifty girls. Within two years officials of the company state that 600 people will be employed.

The Lookout Post, G. A. R., and Woman's Relief corps are planning to build a fifty thousand dollar memorial hall at Chattanooga in honor of the loyal women of the south. The relief society has already purchased a lot and the post is planning to inaugurate a campaign for assisting in raising the necessary fund of \$50,000.

Geo. W. Poague of Fargo, N. D., recently moved to Grayville, and has purchased a large tract of strawberry land. Mr. Poague was the candidate of the Democratic party for governor of North Dakota in 1900 and in 1908 managed Bryan's campaign in his state.

In the absence of his parents, little Raleigh Chandler, 6-year-old son and only child of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Chandler of Chattanooga, accidentally shot and instantly killed himself while playing with his father's .38-caliber pistol at his home, 700 Poplar street. The bullet entered the left breast, and piercing the heart, passed completely through the body.

One of the severest hail storms that has visited the eastern part of the state in the past fifty years according to the weather bureau, struck Germantown, twelve miles southeast of Memphis last night. Hailstones as large as eggs fell for a period of ten minutes, interfering with train service, shattering thousands of windows, killing hundreds of chickens and badly damaging the growing fruit and vegetable crops.

A tannic acid plant, to be erected at a cost of approximately \$150,000, and which will give employment to a considerable number of persons and provide a fresh outlet for the high grade acid bark abundant in this section, may be located in Knoxville within the near future. Harriman has also been mentioned as a possible location for the plant, which will be built by eastern capital.

More than a carload of molasses, valued at more than \$400, flowed through the streets at Union City when a faucet on a large storage tank

of the Howell Grain company was turned. Before the officials of the plant learned of the leakage, the entire contents had poured itself into the street and was being attacked by thousands of insects. The plant had just received the molasses, which was to be converted into food products for cattle. The stream of molasses was more than a block long.

President F. A. McKenzie, of Fisk University, Nashville negro educational institution, made public announcement of a gift to the University of a Bible presented in 1864 to President Lincoln by the Baltimore negroes. The Bible was received here from Hildene, Manchester, Vt., having been sent by Robert T. Lincoln, son of the emancipator, who asks the negro institution to accept the permanent custody of the book.

The clean up week in Newport under the auspices of the Mothers' club and the board of mayor and aldermen was a great success, and the town is probably cleaner and more presentable than it has been in years. The Mothers' club divided the town into sections and offered prizes to the boys who would collect the greatest number of stray tin cans. Former Governor Hooper's two boys, Ben Jones and Randolph, carried off the laurels with a total of 3015 cans collected.

A signal honor has been bestowed on the Nashville Rotary Club by the entertainment committee of the international convention which will be held in Cincinnati in July. President Love, of the Nashville club, has received a notice from the committee that after a careful canvass of the clubs over the United States they had decided to select the Nashville organization to conduct a typical Rotary luncheon during the convention on Monday, July 17.

Gen. Ernest Caldwell, a prominent attorney of Shelbyville, received about 600 black bass from the government fishery department, which he at once placed in Duck river. He expressed the hope that these young fish will be given a chance to grow and multiply. It is unlawful to seine or catch fish any way except with hook and line, and the officers of the law are expected to keep a close watch and promptly arrest anyone caught violating the fish law.

When Mrs. Silas Johnston's hundred ducklings failed to show up for breakfast at her home in Union City, she made an investigation and found them glued to the ground in a small lot back of her home adjoining the rear of a stock feed factory. In some mysterious manner a faucet to a molasses tank at the factory was turned during the night allowing 3,000 gallons of the syrup used for the stock feed to escape and it spread all over Mrs. Johnston's poultry yard so thick and deep her ducklings could not stir.

Rev. John J. Manker, of Athens, editor of the Methodist Advocate Journal, fell dead while addressing a meeting of the book committee of the Methodist general conference at Saratoga Springs, N. Y. Dr. Manker, who was seventy-six years of age, was the father-in-law of the late John A. Paton of Chattanooga. A gathering of about 200 were listening to Dr. Manker's address when he hesitated for a second. "Excuse me," he said, and then he sank to the floor. Death was almost instantaneous.

The Tennessee department of highways has a fund of \$112,086.43 ready to be expended on the designated state highways in the various counties in the state, and already contracts have been made with officials of a number of counties for the expenditure of the funds for those counties. Approximately \$25,000 will be added to this fund by June 1st, which is the end of the fiscal year for the department. This fund is derived from the automobile tax and is to be spent in maintenance of designated state highways.

Concentration of America's growing wealth in the hands of comparatively few men is the greatest danger threatening the nation, so Skelton Williams, Comptroller of the Currency, declared in an address at a convention of the Tennessee Bankers' Association in Chattanooga. He urged bankers and financial leaders to try strenuously to help small local industries and farmers develop their business. Such a policy, he said, would increase the aggregate wealth of the nation and would promote contentment and patriotism among the people.

The fifty-fourth annual convocation of the Grand Commandery of Tennessee met at Clarksville. Hundreds of prominent Knights Templars from every part of the state were present. The following officers: James N. Thompson, Memphis, Right Eminent Grand Commander; N. C. Maney, Murfreesboro, Deputy Grand Commander; W. P. Chandler, Knoxville, Grand Generalissimo; A. T. Hooker, Chattanooga, Grand Captain General; C. V. Percy, Memphis, Grand Senior Warden; R. C. Boggs, Bristol, Grand Junior Warden; Raimundo Deovies, Clarksville, Grand Prelate; John K. Currier, Paris, Grand Treasurer; S. M. Cain, Nashville, Grand Recorder; J. H. Corbett, Nashville, Grand Standard Bearer; D. G. Crabtree, Chattanooga, Grand Sword Bearer; J. A. Cadell, Memphis, Grand Warder; B. C. Knott, Murfreesboro, Grand Sentinel. Lebanon, Tenn., was chosen for the next convocation.

GOOD DISTRICT CONFERENCE

Held at Algood Last Week

The 1916 meeting of the Lebanon District Conference of the M. E. Church, South, held at Algood last week, will go down in its history as one of the best sessions ever held. There was a splendid attendance of its members, and the royal manner in which the excellent people of Algood entertained their guests will never be forgotten.

The conference was presided over by Rev. H. B. Blue, the presiding elder of the district; and the secretary was Rev. T. E. Marshall of Gordonsville, with Mr. C. H. Clark of Buffalo Valley as assistant secretary. Busy sessions were held each morning and afternoon, and many interesting discussions of vital questions took place. The several committees all made splendid reports, several of which brought out some good and helpful discussions.

The conference was honored with quite a number of noted visitors, among them being Rev. A. E. Clements, commissioner of the Galloway hospital of Nashville; Rev. John Durrett of Dickson, assistant editor of the Midland Methodist; Miss Nola Byrne of Monterey, in the interest of the Woman's Missionary Society; Prof. H. A. Morgan of the State College of Agriculture; all of whom addressed the conference on their special subjects.

Of course the preaching was of a high order, being done by such strong men as S. M. Keathley, J. L. Smotherman, W. M. Martin, A. E. Clement and R. J. Craig. Crowds filled the church at every service.

The conference decided to hold its next meeting at Grassy Cove, in Cumberland county, and delegates to the annual conference were elected as follows: C. H. Rickman, C. H. Clark, J. P. Nichols and Orin Lynch, with D. C. Whiteaker and Robt. Hall as alternates.

The following comparative statistics were prepared by the assistant secretary, and show the condition of this district:

	1915	1916
Family Altars.....	104	124
Number of Conversions.....	360	410
Add. on Prof. of Faith.....	223	210
No. Prayer Meetings.....	37	27
Per Cent. Collections Pd.....	25%	32
Per Cent. Salary Paid.....	43 1/2%	43
No. Sunday Schools.....	78	91
No. Officers and Teachers.....	577	596
No. Pupils.....	5181	6053
S.S. Observing Mts. Day.....	37	34
S.S. Observing Chl. Day.....	40	49
Ch. Advocates taken.....	93	80
Midlands taken.....	364	429
Mts. Voice taken.....	62	91
Missionary Societies.....	18	22
Epworth Leagues.....	5	4

COOKEVILLE AT SPARTA

Sparta had a street carnival last week, set aside Friday as Cookeville day and invited us folks to come and be neighbors. And we went, 200 strong. About 30 autos assembled one mile out of Sparta and went into town with the show band at the head of the procession. Other cars went later. We all had a good time and are glad we went. Such neighborly visits promote a feeling of good fellowship and we should have more of them. All for Sparta. May she live long and prosper.

THE STATE CONVENTION

The state convention held in Nashville May 17 was a typical Democratic affair. It was turbulent at times and several spats occurred between delegates, but no one was hurt. Two occurrences marred the proceedings, the Shelby county contest and an attempt by Davidson county to change the platform so as to demand the repeal of the oyster law and a modification of the four-mile law. Both were promptly sat down upon.

Judge A. H. Roberts was permanent chairman of the convention and made a model presiding officer. Governor Tom C. Rye was renominated by acclamation, his name being the only one before the convention. For railroad commissioner there was a contest between five candidates. B. A. Enloe was nominated on the fourth ballot.

Delegates were elected to the national convention from the state at large as follows: Austin Peay, John E. Richardson, Thomas R. Preston and W. H. Hartford. For the Fourth congressional district A. A. Adams and C. H. Rickman, with Byrd L. Quarles and John M. Davis as alternates. All the delegates were instructed to vote for Judge Cordell Hull for national committeeman from Tennessee.

A new state committee was elected, Edward Albright and H. B. McGinness being re-elected from this district. Ben Taylor and Hill McAllister were chosen as electors for the state at large and Woodall Murray for the Fourth district.

A strong platform was adopted pledging the retention and enforcement of all temperance laws.

Putnam county had the most orderly delegation in the convention and the best seats in the hall. Putnam always gets to the front.

RECEPTION AT THE PARSONAGE

On Monday afternoon, Rev. and Mrs. R. J. Craig entertained the Missionary and Aid societies, all ladies of the church being cordially invited. The presence of our presiding elder and wife, Rev. and Mrs. Blue, and Bro. Bransford, honored the occasion. The parsonage was artistically decorated with ferns and spring flowers. On entering, the guests were served frappe by Miss Pearl, the attractive daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Craig. Several interesting numbers were on the program. Col. S. B. Anderson gave a most amusing reading after which he responded to a hearty encore. Beautiful solos were rendered by Mrs. Herbert Carlen and Misses Pearl and Katherine Craig.

Miss Nola Byrne, the missionary corresponding secretary of the Lebanon District gave an interesting talk followed by one no less interesting by Mrs. A. Algood, a representative of the Aid. The two societies spent a most delightful afternoon together, and we are sisters indeed, doing good for the Master.

At the closing hour delightful refreshments were served by Misses Pearl and Katherine Craig, assisted by Misses Kate Williams, Bertha Ensor and Ruby Dow. Despite the inclement weather the afternoon was thoroughly enjoyed by all present, because our good pastor and wife are royal entertainers. Mrs. D. E. Slagle.

JOLLY JUNIORS

The Junior Christian Endeavor Society of the Presbyterian church met at the Manse Monday afternoon, and despite the rain on the outside, there merry making and joy inside. The Juniors were led in games and stunts by Miss McKenzie, and she proved her self a master hand in pleasing the jolly Juniors. Mrs. Cole served strawberry cream and tiny cakes.

Do your trading in Cookeville where you can get what you want

PRESIDENT EARLY INTERVIEWED

Head of Polytechnic School Makes A Very Interesting Statement

Thomas A. Early, president of the new State Polytechnic school, is in the city on business relating to the school and expresses himself as highly optimistic over the prospects of the institution, to the preliminary organization work of which he is now devoting his best energies. That the school will open next fall equipped in buildings, appliances and faculty in a way to enable it to perform its intended service to the people of its community and state is Mr. Early's confident prediction.

In discussing his plans Sunday Mr. Early said:

"Our original plan will consist of a main building, two dormitories—one for boys and one for girls—and a shop building. An attractive campus of twenty acres is provided and we are assured of adequate lands for demonstration purposes and the raising of products for the boarding department.

"The school will be a comprehensive polytechnic school and the general purpose of its courses of study will be industrial efficiency. The curriculum will comprise agricultural work—general farming, development of the live stock industry, fruit growing, poultry work, farm co-operation, rural organization work, dairying, and other industrial work for boys and girls. The manual training feature will be prominently featured, with practical shop work, and carpentry, general manual arts and mechanical drawing will be taught.

"No department will be more important than that relating to the training of girls. Courses will be provided for girls in all phases of home life, the course to be much broader than mere sewing and cooking. Among subjects emphasized will be household decoration, caring for the sick, home sanitation, home gardening, poultry and the care of milk and butter.

"There will be no slighting, however of literary work. There will be a heavy course in English and a required amount of history, mathematics and sciences. The English course will be thorough in all departments. "It is desired to emphasize the fact that the cost of training will be as low as possible and, in fact, within the reach of every boy and girl with an ambition to get a thorough and practical education. The tuition will be free.

"The enthusiastic interest of the people of Cookeville and of that section cannot be too highly commended. Every citizen and institution of the town is squarely behind the enterprise and as an indication of the profound and wholehearted interest of the people of Cookeville in the school, the homes of the town have been placed at the disposal of the authorities to help out in case the dormitory facilities are inadequate when the school opens early in September. Every possible means of advertising and publicity are being employed by the business men of the town in the interest of the school and it is predicted that a full attendance of students will be on hand at the opening session."

Mr. Early expressed gratification over the warm and active support assured the institution by the state board of education. It was cordially sympathetic, he said, in its assurances to do everything possible for the upbuilding of the institution and to this was added the inspiring assurances of like character from school men all over the state.

One of the main objects of Mr. Early's energetic attention at present was stated to be the actual organization of a faculty and the arrangement of the courses of study. That Mr. Early's broad equipment and extended experience in practical school organization work is guarantee of the success of the institution under his management is the confident prediction of his friends.

STORY TELLERS ENTERTAIN

The entertainment given under the auspices of the Story Tellers' League at the City School auditorium last Thursday night, was one of the best ever held in Cookeville, and a full house enjoyed the efforts of those taking part in the program, every number being highly pleasing. The program was as follows:

Piano Solo.....Rosalind Algood
"Revel of the Wood Nymphs"
Piano Solo.....Tennie Alma Stanton
"Valse Arabesque"
Chorus.....School
"America"
Invocation.....Elder W. L. Karnes
Introductory.....Mrs. J. C. McDearman
Story.....Shelah Officer
"The Minstrel's Song"
Vocal Selections.....Mrs. J. Rich Thomas
"Singin' an a Singin'"
"Mighty Lak A Rose"

Story.....John Holladay
"The King's Page"
Chorus.....School
"Keep the Golden Rule in View"
Story.....Rev. R. J. Craig
"Gwen, an Idyl of the Canyon"
"The Columbine".....Dolly Smith
Address.....Mrs. Clara Cox Epperson
"Stories Heard in Childhood"
Song.....Miss Pearl Craig
"A May Morning"
Address.....Mrs. Rutledge Smith
"The Spirit of the Mother's Congress"
Remarks.....Prof. M. T. Carlisle
Benediction.....Rev. R. J. Craig

Physical training in childhood is the foundation of adult health? Isolation is the most efficient means of controlling leprosy?



Mt. View Lodge No. 179, I. O. O. F., met at the usual time, 8 p. m., May 19, 1916, Jas. H. McCulley, N. G. presiding, with a quorum present. The usual routine business was disposed of. Bros. Bradford and York were both reported as improving slowly, they now being able to stir about some after a long confinement to their rooms. They are very hopeful that they will recover.

Bro. E. H. Boyd is attending the U. S. A. Presbyterian gathering at Atlantic City, N. J. this week, he being a delegate from this place.

Mrs. Dank Garrison has returned from a visit with her children at Odd Fellows' Home and is well pleased with the Home management and is now much better satisfied and is glad that her children, now, have so much better opportunities than she could ever have given them.

The election of Lodge officers for next term will occur on first meeting in next month.

COMMENCEMENT

The closing exercises of Central High School commencement took place in the City school building Monday night according to the program printed last week. The building was packed to its limit, and the exercises were very interesting. Each of the graduating class did their parts well and were heartily applauded.

State Superintendent Sherrill made a strong address, which contained much sound advice to the fourteen young men and women who had just finished the high school course, the keynote of which was that education plus character fitted them for life's work, and service to their fellow-man, should be the goal of their ambition.

The following program was carried out:

Invocation.....Prof. S. B. Yeargan
Chorus.....Class
Salutatory.....Vallie Williams
Duet.....Coma Loftis and Kate Davis
Class Poem.....Bryan Cowden
Class History.....Herman Wasson
Class Prophecy.....Cambell Hutcheson
Vocal Solo.....Emily Sue Dow
Class Will.....Anna Mary Cummins
Valedictory.....Willard Wirt
Address to Class.....Hon. S. W. Sherrill
Presentation of Diplomas.....Prof. T. K. Sisk
Presentation of Certificates to Eighth Grade Pupils.....Prof. J. M. Hatfield
Chorus.....Class
Benediction.....Rev. H. B. Blue

CITY SCHOOL FACULTY

The following teachers have been selected to compose the faculty of Cookeville City school for the session 1916-17:

M. T. Carlisle, Supt., Mrs. B. G. Adcock, Mrs. J. M. Hatfield, Mrs. Algood Carlen, Miss Maggie Davis, Miss Bessie Selby, Miss Leona A. Byrne, Miss Mollie Mooneyham, Miss Carrie Gore, Mrs. Quimby Dyer.

The enrollment for the session just closed was the largest in the history of the school—562. A class of 19 completed the course and graduated last Friday evening.

MISSIONARY INSTITUTE

Following is the program of the Missionary Institute for the upper portion of the Lebanon District, to be held at Monterey next Tuesday and Wednesday, May 30 and 31.

Tuesday, May 30
10 a. m.—Devotional Exercises, conducted by Rev. Robt. Hall.
10:15—Purpose of this Institute, Rev. H. B. Blue.
10:30—Evangelism: Revivals, Rev. B. L. Lyle; Personal Evangelism, Rev. Fred B. Cox.

Dinner
1:30 p. m.—Devotional, Rev. W. L. Brown.

2:00—What is Done With the Money that is Raised for Education? Rev. E. P. Anderson.

2:30—What is Done With the Money that is Raised for Missions? Rev. W. B. Taylor.

3:00—The Relation of Good Roads to the Kingdom of God, Rev. W. M. Lantrip.

Wednesday, May 31
9 a. m.—Devotional, Rev. J. W. Madewell.

9:15—How to Conserve the Best Interests of the Church After the Revival, Rev. R. J. Craig.

9:45—The Church and the School: The Church and Private Schools; The Church and Public Schools, Rev. E. P. Anderson.

10:25—Assessments in Full—How and Why? Hon. O. K. Holladay.

10:55—A Living Salary, Mr. J. Edgerton.

11:15—Missions: Home and Conference, Rev. W. B. Taylor.

11:45—Developing a Missionary Conscience, Rev. Robt. Hall.

Dinner
1:30—Devotional.

2:00—Social Service: What is the Law of Our Church? Mr. C. J. Johns; Needs and Methods, Rev. W. B. Taylor.

2:30—What Have We Gotten Out of the Institute, and How Can We Best Conserve It?

Open Conference.

CONFEDERATE REUNION
The Confederate reunion held in Birmingham last week was largely attended and a success in every way. Gen. George P. Harrison of Alabama was elected commander-in-chief, and Washington selected as the place of meeting next year. One veteran died suddenly during the reunion, while the band was playing Dixie. He had often expressed a desire to die under these circumstances.

National Defense and International Peace

Are You Ready to Play Your Part?

THE power of a nation in time of need is the producing power of her industries. America must find out what this producing power is and then develop it. The capacity of every plant must be gauged. The ability of every man must be known. For War is Mechanical. It is Electrical. It is Chemical. It is Mining. Manufacturing. Transportation. It is EVERY phase of Engineering fused into a single industry—
"THE NATION'S DEFENSE."

Thirty thousand Engineers today are serving YOUR COUNTRY without pay. They are making a survey of YOUR COUNTRY'S industrial resources. They are helping YOUR COUNTRY TO FIND ITSELF—and you! They are charting the channels of commerce. Sounding each source of supply. So that, should the Day break when War must come—YOUR ARMIES in the field will be but the crest of a Wave of industry, as wide as the American Continent and as deep as the American Soul. That YOUR COUNTRY may know what the Engineers are doing, the Associated Advertising Clubs of the World have pledged their services to the President of the United States. And this advertisement, published free by this paper, is part of a nation-wide series to secure YOUR co-operation with the Engineers. "WHAT CAN I DO?"

This is, doubtless, the question you are asking yourself. Here is the answer: If you are a manufacturer co-operate fully with the Engineers so they can do their job quickly and efficiently; if you are a working man help your employer to help the Engineers and be prepared, if so needed, to be a Soldier in Industry, behind the firing line, which is just as important as being a soldier on the firing line; if you are a business man or a professional man, or whoever you are, help mobilize "GOOD WILL" behind this patriotic task of the Engineers in behalf of National Defense and International Peace.

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